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# HOUSE BILL No. 1708

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## DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

**Citations Affected:** IC 20-30-2.

**Synopsis:** School year. Provides that a school year for grades 1 through 6 consists of at least 54,000 minutes. Provides that a school year for grades 7 through 12 consists of at least 64,800 minutes. Makes corresponding changes to related sections.

**Effective:** July 1, 2009.

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January 22, 2009, read first time and referred to Committee on Education.

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First Regular Session 116th General Assembly (2009)

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning education.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

1       SECTION 1. IC 20-30-2-2, AS ADDED BY P.L.242-2005,  
2       SECTION 15, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE  
3       JULY 1, 2009]: Sec. 2. (a) A student instructional day in grades 1  
4       through 6 consists of at least:  
5               (1) five (5) hours; **or**  
6               (2) **three hundred (300) minutes;**  
7       of instructional time.  
8               **(b)** Except as provided in subsection ~~(b)~~; **(c)**, a student instructional  
9       day in grades 7 through 12 consists of at least:  
10              (1) six (6) hours; **or**  
11              (2) **three hundred sixty (360) minutes;**  
12       of instructional time.  
13              ~~(b)~~ **(c)** An instructional day for a school flex program under section  
14       2.2 of this chapter consists of a minimum of:  
15              (1) three (3) hours; **or**  
16              (2) **one hundred eighty (180) minutes;**  
17       of instructional time.

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SECTION 2. IC 20-30-2-3, AS ADDED BY P.L.1-2005, SECTION 14, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009]: Sec. 3. For each school year, a school corporation shall conduct at least: ~~one hundred eighty (180) student instructional days~~:

(1) **fifty-four thousand (54,000) minutes for grades 1 through 6; and**

(2) **sixty-four thousand eight hundred (64,800) minutes for grades 7 through 12;**

**of student instructional time.** Not later than June 15 of each school year, the superintendent of each school corporation shall certify to the department the ~~number~~ **amount** of student instructional ~~days~~ **time** conducted during that school year.

SECTION 3. IC 20-30-2-4, AS ADDED BY P.L.1-2005, SECTION 14, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009]: Sec. 4. (a) If a school corporation fails to conduct the minimum number of student instructional ~~days~~ **minutes for grades 1 through 6** during a school year as required under section 3 of this chapter, the department shall reduce the August tuition support distribution to that school corporation for a school year by an amount determined as follows:

STEP ONE: ~~Determine the remainder of:~~ **Divide:**

(A) the amount of the total tuition support allocated to the school corporation for the particular school year; ~~minus by~~

(B) that part of the total tuition support allocated to the school corporation for that school year with respect to student instructional ~~days one hundred seventy-six (176) through one hundred eighty (180):~~

**(B) fifty-four thousand (54,000).**

STEP TWO: Subtract the number of student instructional ~~days~~ **minutes** that the school corporation conducted from ~~one hundred eighty (180):~~ **fifty-four thousand (54,000) minutes.**

STEP THREE: ~~Determine the lesser of five (5) or the remainder determined under STEP TWO:~~

STEP FOUR: ~~Divide the amount subtracted under STEP ONE(B) by five (5):~~

STEP FIVE: **THREE:** Multiply the quotient determined under STEP ~~FOUR~~ **ONE** by the number determined under STEP ~~THREE:~~ **TWO.**

STEP SIX: Subtract the number determined under STEP THREE from the remainder determined under STEP TWO:

STEP SEVEN: Divide the remainder determined under STEP ~~ONE~~ by one hundred seventy-five (175):

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STEP EIGHT: Multiply the quotient determined under STEP SEVEN by the remainder determined under STEP SIX:

STEP NINE: Add the product determined under STEP FIVE to the product determined under STEP EIGHT:

(b) If a school corporation fails to conduct the minimum number of student instructional minutes for grades 7 through 12 during a school year as required under section 3 of this chapter, the department shall reduce the August tuition support distribution to that school corporation for a school year by an amount determined as follows:

STEP ONE: Divide:

(A) the amount of the total tuition support allocated to the school corporation for the particular school year; by

(B) sixty-four thousand eight hundred (64,800).

STEP TWO: Subtract the number of student instructional minutes that the school corporation conducted from sixty-four thousand eight hundred (64,800) minutes.

STEP THREE: Multiply the quotient determined under STEP ONE by the number determined under STEP TWO.

SECTION 4. IC 20-30-2-5, AS ADDED BY P.L.1-2005, SECTION 14, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009]: Sec. 5. The department may grant a waiver of the penalty imposed under section 4 of this chapter for a particular number of canceled student instructional ~~days~~ **minutes** if:

(1) the school corporation applies to the department for a waiver of the penalty imposed under section 4 of this chapter for a specific number of canceled student instructional ~~days~~ **minutes**; and

(2) each of the particular number of student instructional ~~days~~ **minutes** requested to be waived under this section was canceled due to extraordinary circumstances.

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